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About those questions of Mr. Bates in the last number, the last is the easiest to answer. The following are a few who study fossil ferns: Prof. C. E. Jeffrey, and numerous students, Messrs. F. H. Knowlton, Arthur Hollick, E. W. Berry, G. Wieland, and David White, of America; Professors Bower, Tansley, Lang, of England, not to go farther.

R. C. B.

The prize for the rarest New England fern will probably have to go to *Cheilanthes lanosa* which is known only from a single station near New Haven, Conn. *Asplenium pinnatifidum*, with two known stations, is a good second.

C. A. W.

We hope to publish very soon an article by Mr. Raynal Dodge containing reminiscences of the early New England fern students, Davenport, the two Eatons and others, and giving a particular account of the original discovery of *Dryopteris simulata* and the hybrid *Dryopteris cristata* × marginalis.

### American Fern Society

### THE SOCIETY'S FERN GARDENS

In the last number of the JOURNAL, a statement was promised of the number and names of the ferns now being grown in the fern collection of the Society at the Brooklyn Botanic Garden. Such a list follows, including all the hardy ferns now growing there, not only those sent by members of the Society but also the species which were there before the Garden was made a depository for the Society.

Look the list over. If you can add some species not now in the collection, or some interesting variety, send it in, but do not hesitate also to send in good plants of any of the kinds already there. One of the most valuable features of such a fern garden will be the association of plants of a given species from widely separated localities. At present the various kinds are represented mostly by only one or two collections.

Now is a good time to collect plants for transplanting. They should be lifted with as little disturbance as possible, the roots wrapped in moist paper or moss, and firmly tied. It is a good plan to cut back some of the leaves and is often more convenient in packing. Send by parcel post or express to the Brooklyn Botanic Garden, Washington Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

#### NATIVE SPECIES AND VARIETIES

Adiantum pedatum

 $An chistea\ virginica$ 

Asplenium platyneuron

Trichomanes

Athyrium acrostichoides

filix-femina

Botrychium obliquum

``silai folium"

virginianum

 $Camp to sor us\ rhizophyllus$ 

 $Cy stop teris\ bulbifer a$ 

fragilis

 $Dennstaedtia\ punctilobula$ 

Dryopteris cristata

 $``cristata \times intermedia (Boottii)$ 

" Dryopteris

" Goldiana

" hexagonoptera

" intermedia

## $Dryopteris\ intermedia \times marginalis$ marginalisnoveboracensis simulata**Thelypteris** Lorinseria areolata Lygodium palmatum Onoclea sensibilis Osmunda cinnamomea ClaytonianaregalisPhyllitis Scolopendrium Polypodium vulgare Polystichum acrostichoides bipinnate form Braunii Pteretis nodulosa Pteridium aquilinum Woodsia ilvensis FOREIGN SPECIES AND VARIETIES Athyrium filix-femina Victoriae multifidum" setigerum11 Craigi laciniatum Goringianum pictum Dryopteris erythrosora dilatatafilix-mas hirtipes "pseudo-mas Pinderi" " propinqua Phyllitis Scolopendrium and horticultural varieties

Polystichum lobatum

"setosum"

Mr. Davis reports "one hundred species, representing eight genera" at the Missouri garden. A detailed report on this garden will be given later.

R. C. B.

The duplicate set of the Fern Bulletin recently acquired by the Society and comprising volumes 7 to 20 inclusive has just been bound and is now available for lending to such members as may wish to borrow it. The volumes will be sent out on the same terms as loans from the herbarium, namely, payment of postage both ways; and application should be made to the Secretary. If anyone can tell where copies of Vol. 5, no. 2, and vol. 6, no. 1, can be obtained, the Secretary would be glad to hear of it. If these two numbers can be had, volumes 5 and 6 can be added to the lending set.

More than thirty orders have been received for the sets of *Dryopteris* hybrids, the proposed issue of which was announced in the last number of the JOURNAL, and Mr. Bigelow is hard at work getting together the necessary material.

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